

LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER POLICY

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PURPOSE

To delineate the responsibilities of health care providers in development and implementation of a patient plan of care.

POLICY

Every patient of LAC+USC Medical Center will have an individualized plan of care developed. The plan of care will be coordinated among all members of the patient's health care team and will include problems, patient centered goals, outcomes, interventions, and approaches.

PROCEDURE

- The registered nurse will initiate the plan of care using information obtained from the initial interdisciplinary patient assessment and a review of the patient's history and physical performed by the licensed practitioner to assist in identifying and prioritizing patient needs and goals.
- The plan is individualized for the patient based on the assessment of patient care needs/problems and the medical treatment plan. Goals, outcomes, interventions, and approaches will be coordinated among all disciplines involved in the care of the patient.
- Patient care outcomes will be realistic, measurable, and consistent with the medical plan of care.
- The patient's psycho-social, cultural, and linguistic needs will be considered when developing the plan of care. For pediatric patients, developmental status will also be considered. Where possible, the plan of care will be mutually set with the patient and/or family/significant others.
- Patient education and discharge planning are included in the plan of care.
- Patient assessment, planning, interventions, and evaluation of outcomes will be documented in the health/medical record by attending staff, housestaff, mid-level providers, nurses, clinical social service workers, dietitians, occupational, physical, and recreational therapists, spiritual care providers, respiratory therapists, pharmacists, and other providers according to the

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guidelines established by the respective disciplines and on forms approved by the Medical Center Forms Committee.

RESPONSIBILITY

Attending Staff
 Housestaff
 Psychologists
 Mid-Level Providers
 Nurses
 Dieticians
 Clinical Social Service Workers
 Respiratory Therapists
 Spiritual Care Providers
 Pharmacists
 Physical Therapists
 Occupational Therapists
 Recreational Therapists

PROCEDURE DOCUMENTATION

Attending Staff Manual
 Nursing Policy Manual
 Department Policy and Procedure Manuals
 Medical/Health Record Policies

REFERENCES

California Code of Regulations Title 22, Section 70215
 Joint Commission Standards (Provision of Care, Treatment, and Services)

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